ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention provides a universal track and coping assembly for use with different commercially available swimming pool covers. The universal track and coping assembly includes a coping body defining a slot for receiving a reversible track for retaining side edges of a pool cover, and a reversible track insertable within the slot in two orientations. In a first orientation, the reversible track can receive a traditional construction of commercially available pool covers, and in a second orientation, the reversible track can receive other constructions of pool covers. The universal track and coping assembly may include a pulley which may reside in a pulley housing. The pulley housing may define a passageway having an opening for easily releasing the pulley from the housing.